The House Adjourns untill To Morrow Morning Eight of U. H. J. the Clock.

Thursday Morning July the 20th 1721 The House meet according to Adjournment

Present

His Honour Charles Calvert Esqr Govr

Col W^m Holland
Col M. T. Ward
Col Thomas Addison

Col Wight Holland
Col Richard Tilghman
James Bowles Esq^r

His Honour the Gov^r Communicates to this House a par^r of a Letter from his Ex^{cy} W^m Burnett Esq^r Gov^r of New York to him Dated April 1721 Which par^r is as follows Viz.

Sr The Inclosed Papers will Shew you both the Occasion and Grounds of my Giving you this trouble if there is not Speedy Care taken to repair the fortifications on the frontier of New York And to build Some new ones The French will soon have it in their Power to set the Indians on ruining all the Colonys where the Plantations lye remote from great Towns, I must therefore recomend it to you to Provide the Six hundred and fifty Pounds which the King has named as the Quota of your Province and transmitt it to New York to be applyed as the Kings Instruction Directs.

The Papers referred to in the aforesaid Paragraph (and sayd to be Instructions from the Crown) are as follow Viz. p. 15

Instruction 91. Whereas it has been thought requisite that the Generall Security of our Plantations upon the Continent of America be Provided for by a Contribution in Proportion to the Respective Abilities of Each Plantation And Whereas the Northern Frontiers of the Province of New York being the next Exposed to an Enemie do require an Extraordinary Charge for the Erecting and maintaining of forts necessary for the Defence thereof And Whereas Orders were given by King William the third for the advancing of £50 Sterling Towards a fort in the Onondage Country And of two thousand pounds Sterl Towards the Rebuilding of the Fort at Albany and Schenectady, and Likewise by Letters under his Royal Sign manuall Directed to the Gov^{rs} of Divers of the Plantations to recommend to the Councills and Generall As-